PLANNING, HOUSING AND SOCIAL WELFARE SECRETARIAT

Reviews the Administration Report of the Social Welfare Department for the year 1959-60

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2 Shri R Bhaianaiah continued to be in charge of the Department from the beginning of the year till 9th March 1960 Shri M Basappa took over charge of the Department from 9th March 1960 and continued till the end of the year

3 The two vacant (Class I) posts of Assistant District Social Welfare Officers at Dharwar and Gulbarga were shifted to Head Office at Bangalore with effect from 25th June 1959 and the same were filled in by the promotion of Class II Officers in the Department

4 The post of Nomadic Tribes Welfare Officer, Dharwar, which was abolished during 1958, was revived from 22nd June 1959 (*vide* G O. No. P&D 273 SWS 58, dated 22nd June 1959) and it was shifted to Bangalore with the designation 'Special Officer for Scheduled and other Tribes'.

5. The posts of Special Officer for Depressed Classes in the Old Mysore Area, were upgraded from non-gazetted cadre to the gazetted cadre (Class II) in the scale of Rs. 200–400 with effect from 18th February 1960 and the District posts of Social Welfare Officers in all the Districts were uniformly redesignated as 'District Social Welfare Officers'

6 During the year under review two District Social Welfare Officers were deputed to the one year training course in Tribal Welfare conducted by the Tata Institute of Social Sciences at Bombay. Another District Social Welfare Officer was sent to the two years' training course in Social Welfare, conducted by the School of Social Work at Madras

7 I *Welfare of Scheduled Castes*—

(1) *Housing*—Construction of 6,756 houses was taken up at a cost of Rs 25,98,668 83 nP Of these, 6,431 houses were completed and remaining 325 houses were in different stages of completion In addition 234 C I sheets were also distributed

(2) *Economic Aid*—Sixty-three societies, 2,631 individuals were given aid. amounting to Rs 2,74,608 56 nP. to develop cottage industries 19 Tailoring Units (one in each District) were also started for the benefit of Scheduled Caste Womens

One thousand seven hundred and forty-one agriculturists and two agricultural societies were granted assistance amounting to Rs 1,90,018 76 nP for improvements in agriculture

(3) *Community centres and drinking water wells*—An amount of Rs 2,59,427 64 nP. was spent in sinking 189 new wells and in repairing old wells. And 123 community centres were constructed during the year at a cost of Rs 2,45,315 63 nP and eight radio sets were also supplied to these centres.

(4) *Aid to voluntary agencies.*—The procedure of giving aid to voluntary agencies for conducting propaganda for removal of untouchability was stopped during the year on the recommendation of the State Advisory Board for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes However, a sum of Rs 19,200 was paid to the Mysore Harijan Sevak Sangh, Bangalore, towards arrear payment of 1957-58

(5) *Publicity and propaganda for removal of untouchability*—An amount of Rs 48,227 48 nP was spent on purchases of magazines, award of prizes to villages doing outstanding work in the removal of untouchability and for observance of Harijan Day Celebrations. From this year onwards a new scheme for award of two prizes to two villages in each district which show outstanding work in the removal of untouchability has been introduced in the State Grants were also sanctioned to organise Harijan Conferences at different places in the State.

(6) *Miscellaneous schemes.*—An amount of Rs. 1,100 was spent on various miscellaneous items such as (i) supply of sarees to Harijan women, (ii) supply of tricycle to a lame Harijan girl in Sirsi town (iii) supply of a hand set and supply of clothes to Harijans who had lost everything in accidental fire in Shettihalli in Channapatna Taluk.

(7) *Education*—Forty seven new hostels, 31 for boys and 16 for girls, were started during the year and 54 aided hostels were given assistance towards encouragement grant, equipments, utensils, boarding charges, etc. A total of Rs 2,78,410 72 nP was spent for this purpose.

An amount of Rs. 49,715.55 nP. was spent on scholarships to 2,399 Scheduled Caste students An additional amount of Rs. 2,43,945 02 nP. was spent towards supply of slates, text-books and dresses, etc , to 3,643 students.

During the year, mid-day meals were supplied to 2,762 students at a cost of Rs. 89,695 in Coorg and South Kanara Districts. Further, an Educational Week as an intensive measure to push up the education scheme among Scheduled Castes was celebrated in the entire State during the year and an expenditure of Rs. 2,500 was incurred for this purpose.

8. II *Welfare of Nomadic and Semi-nomadic Tribes*—

These tribes are concentrated only in the four districts of Dharwar, Belgaum, North Kanara and Bijapur An amount of Rs. 30,800 was spent on opening an Ashram School in Belgaum District and on equipment grants and scholarships to school-going children. An amount of Rs. 1,52,925 was distributed to 612 persons as economic aid

One Labour Contract Society was formed in Bijapur District at an expenditure of Rs. 3,000. Two Balwadis were opened at Singathraunakere in Dharwar District and at Mundgod in North Kanara District. Three wells were also constructed one in each district of Dharwar, Bijapur and Belgaum.

An amount of Rs. 1,98,000 was distributed as housing grants to 505 persons during the year

9. III *Welfare of Scheduled Tribes.*—

Five Ashram Schools were opened in each of the districts of Shimoga, Coorg, Chickamagalur, South Kanara and Bangalore at a total cost of Rs 25,208 13 nP An additional amount of Rs. 85,562 was spent on scholarships (to 210 students), supply of mid-day meals, equipment grants, etc.

Three community centres were opened during the year at a cost of Rs. 7,500.

Four hundred and eight houses were constructed at a cost of Rs. 2,61,891.92 nP. during the year. Agricultural aid amounting to Rs 1,54,991.90 nP. was given to three hundred and fifteen families and two agricultural colonies. An amount of Rs 6,000 was spent in organising two Forest Labourers' Co-operative Societies, one each in Coorg and South Kanara Districts. Economic aid, amounting to Rs. 29,902 90 nP. was sanctioned to 581 persons during the year and further an amount of Rs 30,552.34 nP was spent on Approach Road to colonies

An amount of Rs. 14,039.78 nP was spent on sinking of ten drinking water wells, and opening of five maternity units and in giving medical aid to five families.

Eight Conferences of Scheduled Tribes were held during the year and an expenditure of Rs 840 was spent for this purpose.

Welfare of Denotified Tribes.—Grants amounting to Rs 14,325 were sanctioned to seven Ex-criminal Tribes Hostels run by private agencies, an additiona amount of Rs. 13,457 was spent on 'Education', *e.g.*, equipment grants to hostelsl and to school children.

Two Hundred and fifty-eight houses were constructed for the benefit of these tribes and an expenditure of Rs. 90,114 73 nP. was incurred for this purpose.

An amount of Rs. 89,620 83 nP. was spent on supply of bullocks' agricultural implements and milch cows and 779 families were benefited from this.

Eighteen new drinking water wells were sunk and 16 old wells were repaired at a cost of Rs 24,178 04 nP Economic aid amounting to Rs. 9,841 was granted to 191 families during the year

An amount of Rs 5,664 63 nP was spent on miscellaneous schemes for the welfare of these tribes, *e.g* , construction of approach roads, etc

Non-plan schemes.—Rs. 2,13,015 58 nP. were spent on the maintenance of the schools and hostels run by the Department in Bellary and South Kanara Districts. Rs 15,256 were spent in Mysore and Bellary Districts on maintenance of Nisna Health Unit and sinking of drinking water wells.

Welfare of Other Backward Classes.—An amount of Rs 2,76,815 was spent on grant of scholarships and equipment grants to students, on mid-day meals and aid to private hostels

Aid to agriculturists and aid to develop crafts amounting to Rs 12,028 were given to 306 families during the year.

B. Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

I. *Scheduled Castes.*—Forty-three Agricultural Colonies, 1 Residential Colony and one Housing Colony were started during the year at an expenditure of Rs 8,58,936 09 nP. An additional amount of Rs 75,985 was spent on economic uplift *e g.*, opening of a technical hostel at Bangalore, granting of economic aid to individuals for development of crafts, etc.

II. *Scheduled Tribes.*—An amount of Rs 3,94,262 was spent in starting agricultural colonies and construction of houses for Scheduled Tribes

III. *Other Backward Classes* —Out of a provision of Rs. 5,50,000, an amount of Rs 2,90,426 was spent on construction of four school buildings, grant of agricultural aid to 200 families, housing subsidy to 225 families and sinking of 30 drinking water wells, etc.

IV *Denotified Tribes* —Out of a provision of Rs 2,38,000 an amount of Rs. 2,22,173 68 nP. was spent in establishing agricultural colonies in the different districts.

The work of the Department during the year was satisfactory and progressive.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore,

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